

## CRB, NHPD, IAU: WHY SO MANY ACRONYMS?

### NHPD

The City of **New Haven's Police Department** is operated by approximately 350 officers and staff and is one of the largest forces in Connecticut. It is led by the Chief of Police.

### IAU

The **Internal Affairs Unit** is a division within the NHPD that investigates allegations of misconduct leveled against police officers by civilians. IAU initiates an investigative process whenever a civilian complaint is filed, or when the Chief of Police determines that an internal evaluation of police behavior is warranted.

### CRB

Separate and independent from the NHPD, the **Civilian Review Board** is made of citizens appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Board of Alders. The CRB performs its own review of civilian complaints, and reaches its own conclusions. Sometimes CRB findings concur with IA findings, and sometimes they do not; the CRB is free to report its conclusions to the public, and makes recommendations to the Chief of Police based on those conclusions.

## COMPLAINTS PROCESS



**Complainants are always informed of the outcome of their cases by IA and given an opportunity to appeal directly to the NHPD or through the CRB.**

## FILING A COMPLAINT



If you or someone you know witnessed police misconduct please consider filing a complaint. Complaints may be filed in person, online, or by mail. They may be made anonymously, or complainants may choose to share their contact information.

### Ways to file:

- Online: <https://newhaven.seamlessdocs.com/f/NHPDIACCF>
- In person at the NHPD HQ:  
1 Union Ave. New Haven, CT
- At City Hall or any police substation
- Mail to:  
Internal Affairs Unit  
New Haven Police Department  
1 Union Ave.  
New Haven, CT 06519

